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APPLICANT:	IQBAL, ET AL.	§	
		§	GROUP ART UNIT
SERIAL NO.:	10/711,176	§	
		§	EXAMINER:
FILED:	AUGUST 30, 2004	§	
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FOR:	HEAVY OIL AND	§	
	BITUMEN	§	
	UPGRADING	§	
		§	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Atty. Docket No.: KEL-119/040767

Date: August 31, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows:

Remarks:

Applicant respectfully requests amendment of sheet 2 of the drawings originally submitted with the above noted patent application. As submitted, the drawings have two pages which include a figure labeled as Fig. 2, located on pages 1

and 2. The figure on page 2 should actually be labeled as Fig. 3, is supported by paragraph [0050] of the specification, and adds no new matter. In addition, the FCC unit in Fig. 3 should be labeled with numeral 216, rather than 208 as originally filed. This is also supported by paragraph [0050] of the specification, corrects an obvious typographical error and adds no new matter. Attached hereto is a marked copy of the drawings as originally filed (5 figures on 4 pages), as well as proposed replacement sheets (5 figures on 4 pages).

Applicant does not believe any fees are due at this time, however the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication to deposit account 1104000. If the Office has any questions or comments regarding this communication, the undersigned can be contacted to expedite the resolution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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